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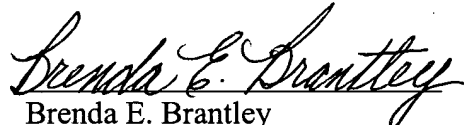
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In reply to the Office Action mailed May 31, 2005, which rejected the claims in the above-identified patent application, applicants respectfully request reconsideration based upon the amendments hereinafter set forth.